News Review

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Prince George's History: Part I Tobacco Made County A Wealthy Colony

by Alan Virta

(Do you know which famous Englishman led the first expedition to Prince George's County? Do you know who Prince George was? The answers to these questions are in the following article, the first part of a three part history of Prince George's County. Prepared by Alan Virta, the short history will be published in this and subsequent issues of the News Review. This section will cover the county's original settlement and the Colonial era. It tells about the establishment of the county charter almost three hundred years ago on St. George's Day, April 23, 1696. This history was prepared as a part of the publicity activities for the county's Tricentennial Celebration.)

No one is sure when people first set foot in Prince George's County. Some archaeologists believe the first Indians came to Southern Maryland 10,000 years ago; others would say it was long before that. Whatever

the case, this land was occupied for thousands of years before the first Europeans sailed to these shores. The first re-

corded visit to Prince George's County by a European came in the summer of 1608, when Captain John Smith sailed up the Potomac River, probably as far as Great Falls. Two groups of Indians inhabited the county in Smith's time-the Piscataways, whose villages ranged from the Anacostia River southward into Charles and St. Mary's counties-and warlike Susquehannocks, who roamed and hunted in the northern part of the county, constantly pressing the Piscataways for more and more

John Smith's visit in 1608 was an exploring expedition only-no settlement was intended. Over the next 25 years, English traders paid frequent calls upon the Indians here, sometimes to trade, sometimes to fight. But the most significant early contact came in 1634, just days after the first Maryland colonists landed near

the mouth of the Potomac came basically the line it is to-River. Advised by an English trader to seek permission from the Piscataways before establishing a settlement there, Governor Leonard Calvert sailed up the Potomac to the tribe's principal town, located on Piscataway Creek in the southern part of Prince George's County. Governor Calvert established good relations with the Piscataways, and with their permission he returned downriver to found St. Mary's City, Maryland's first settlement.

Colony Flourished

The Maryland colony flourished at St. Mary's City and enjoyed peaceful relations with the neighboring Indian tribes. Settlers soon left the confines of the original settlement. New counties were created, and within 30 years farms and plantations lined both the Patuxent and Potomac Rivers well into the land we call Prince

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a European came in the summer of 1608, when

Captain John Smith sailed up the Potomac River

George's County today. The

land was not called Prince

George's County then, however.

The area along the Patuxent

was part of Calvert County; the

area along the Potomac was

part of Charles County. By

1695, sixteen or seventeen hun-

dred people lived here-

enough, Governor Francis

Nicholson thought, to deserve

the right of self-government.

The General Assembly agreed,

and on St. George's Day, April

23, 1696; a new county was es-

tablished, named for Prince

George of Denmark, husband of

the heir to the throne of En-

gland, Princess Anne. Extending

from the Charles County line

on the south all the way to the

Pennsylvania border, the new

county marked Maryland's

western frontier. It remained the

frontier county until 1748,

when the westernmost regions

were granted their own govern-

ment, and Prince George's

County's northern boundary be-

Prince George's County grew in the 1700's. Its land was settled, and frontier became civilization. Men and women from all parts of the British Isles, as well as other countries of Europe, came to find homes here. Some came as freemen, others as indentured servants. Africans were also a part of the growing population, brought here to work as slaves. As the years went by, trading centers along the rivers grew into towns-places Marlborough, Nottingham. Bladensburg, Queen Anne, and Piscataway. Merchants built stores; lawyers and doctors established practices; clergymen consecrated churches; and innkeepers opened their doors to travelers and residents alike. Some iron was even mined and worked in the upper Patuxent region. But Prince George's County, despite this growth, remained predominantly agricultural. Agriculture was the basis

of the economy and directly or indirectly provided the livelihood for every resident. One crop was at the heart of this

agricultural economy-and that crop was tobacco.

Tobacco

Tobacco created wealth for Prince George's County, wealth that built fine plantation homes, educated the children of the leading families, supported the work of our religious faithsincluding Maryland's established church, the Church of England—and fostered the arts such as theater, dance, and music that flourished in Upper Marlborough and other places. That wealth also provided the means to enjoy leisure time in activities such as cricket, fox hunting, and horseracing-and enabled planters to devote such care to their horses and their breeding that Prince George's County became the cradle of American thoroughbred racing, a sport still very much a part of our county today. Tobacco, too, provided modest livelihoods for smaller farmers, and even served as legal tender for debts. That one crop contributed more to Prince George's County than anything else, and created a prosperous, sophisticated tobacco society which traded its staple with English and Scottish merchants for goods from all over the world.

Proposed Property Code Changes Raise Concerns

by Heather Elizabeth Peterson

Greenbelt City Council followed its December 12 work session on conflict resolution curb may not wish to place with a series of heated argu- the garbage bags in a heavy ments over changes to the trash container, particularly if Greenbelt City Code.

The changes were suggested in order to adapt for Greenbelt the code used by the city, the BOCA Property Maintenance Code. Celia Wilson, Director of Planning and Community Development, noted that the proposed changes had been sent to civic organizations, and that the organizations who replied had shown concern only over the snow shoveling provision. This section would have required property owners to remove snow and ice from their sidewalks within 48 hours after the snow had stopped falling. At the recommendation of Wilson, the section was removed from the changes so that staff can reconsider the

Trash Containers

A lengthy discussion occurred over the provision requiring garbage to be placed "in approved containers provided with close fitting covers." Although this is already required and the changes prothe opportunity to express his

concern about the requirement. He said that citizens who take their trash to the they are handicapped or eld-

Mayor Antoinette Bram said that birds often break into bags and spread the trash around. Councilmember Rodney Roberts agreed with Putens, however, saying that if the city was going to require people to take trash to the curb, the city should provide a wheeled container for the purpose. (One of many optional proposals affecting refuse collection service presented to the council at a previous work session is to require residents to place trash at the curb but the Council has not made any decision on whether or not to implement that proposal.)

Bram said that the provision was introduced for health reasons, and said angrily to Putens, "Do you understand that we're living in the age of the rat? . . . Trash attracts rats and that's that."

Roberts replied that the issue was not whether citizens should be required to place their trash in containers but whether the city should make posed were only to eliminate it convenient for citizens to duplicative language, Council- do so. "Most areas (that remember Edward Putens took quire covered containers pro-

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New Deal Cafe Opens With a Great Success

by Dorothy Sucher

They came, they ate, they ap-

I would say that the muchawaited opening last weekend of the New Deal Cafe, Greenbelt's newest cooperative, was a rousing success. The locale was the city's new Community Center in the former Center School, now splendidly refurbished. Saturday night was the cafe's official Grand Opening, but yours truly attended the dry run for members on Friday night, on the strength of having paid my dues and selflessly participated in a preliminary dessert testing, which required me to sample all the pastry nominees in order to offer an informed opinion.

Dry the dry run wasn't. The coffee was outstanding, and for the anti-Java crowd, cocoa and hot cider were also available. An enormous slice of layer cake was outstanding, and my husband gave his approval to the chocolate cheesecake as well. For those who weren't in the mood for sweets, vegetarian chili was available, as well as sesame noodles, cold lentil salad, and hot and sour soup.

Filled to Capacity

Over 100 patrons attended on Friday night. They came and went, filling the seven round tables to capacity much of the time, ordering food and visiting with friends old and new while folk musicians entertained. The scene was similar on Saturday night, although the crowd was

"I was pleased with the turnout and the atmosphere," said Alex Barnes, who is on

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What Goes On

Mon, Jan. 8, 7:30 p.m., Recycling Advisory Comm., Aquatic & Fitness Center.

8 p.m., Regular City Council meeting, Council Room

Thurs., Jan. 11, 7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Place

Sat., Jan. 13, 9-11 a.m., Open Door Meeting - meet Greenbelt's representatives in the state legislature, Council

12:30 p.m. Community Center Dedication, Community Center

The News Review is Moving!

On Friday, January 12, the News Review will move to the Community Center. Staff members willing to help on Thursday or Friday, January 11 or 12 or at the open house on Saturday January 12 should call Mary Halford on 474-3917.

Copy and ads should still be brought to 15 Parkway through

1st Senior Program At Center Opening

The first program for seniors (and others) to be held at the Senior Center in the new Community Center will be held on the formal opening day for the Center, Saturday, January 13.

The Greenbelt Senior Citizens Advisory Committee is sponsoring a Not-For-Seniors-Only presentation by George Smith, the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services Systems Do-Not-Resuscitate (DNR) Program Coordinator. This program will be at 2 p.m. in the Senior Citizens Classroom on the first floor of the new Greenbelt Community Center.

This program will provide information about an important new initiative in Maryland. The Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Palliative Care/Do-Not-Resuscitate (DNR) Program has been approved by the Maryland Board of Physician Quality Assurance and went into effect July 1, 1995, as the protocol for prehospital care providers. It resulted from the Health Care Decision Act of 1993, in which the Maryland Legislature tried to clarify existing state law with regard to health care decision

Advance directives such as living wills" and powers of attorney serve patients well in clinical environments, but they pose practical problems in life-threatening situations when emergency medical services are called for assistance. Living wills and powers of attorney are often long, complex, and can vary greatly in form and content. There is a very limited amount of time in which EMS personnel must evaluate the situation and take appropriate action. The new Maryland EMS Palliative Care/DNR Program enables EMS providers to respond appropriately to patients' wishes regarding health care in emergency situations. These orders will always require a physician's signature to be valid, and counseling and support are vital to the decision-making process.

Call Karen Haseley at the Greenbelt Community Center 397-2200 or Beth Smith, Chair, Greenbelt Senior Citizens Advisory Committee at 345-0575 for further information.

Drawing Contest For Children

A child could be the designer of the next American Lung Association Christmas Seal. The Association is sponsoring a Kids' Drawing Contest with the theme "Feeling Good at the Holidays."

A winning entry from Maryland submissions and an overall national winner will be chosen. The grand prize is a personal multimedia computer and a color inkjet printer. Individual state winners will receive an electronic sketch pad.

The contest is open to children ages six to 15. The deadline for entries is March

For official rules and an entry form, contact the American Lung Association of Maryland at 1-800-586-4872.

Extension Centers Offer PGCC Courses

Prince George's Community College will offer more than 200 credit courses at its degree and extension centers for the spring semester which begins Jan. 22. Early registration is encouraged. Students may register at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, Jan. 9, from 6:30-8 p.m., with courses in accounting, art, biology, business, computer literacy, English, history, psychology, sociology and speech; and Laurel High School, Jan. 8, from 6:30-7:30 p.m., offering courses in accounting, English, math, management, psychology, and speech.

For more information about other sites, or to register, call 322-0783.

Recycle Motor Oil

Oil and water don't mix. Neither do water and antifreeze! Under Maryland law, since 1988, it is illegal to dump used motor oil on land, into waterways, down sewers and storm drains, or to place it in the trash! The Maryland Environmental Service has established more 'than 180 "used oil and anti freeze recycling centers. There is one here in Greenbelt at the Buddy Attick Park.

In 1994, the Greenbelt collection point took in 4,662 gallons of used motor oil and 185 gallons of used antifreeze—the second largest volume in P.G. County! Which means Greenbelt Lake and area ground are protected against pollution.

Used motor oil is recycled two ways. It is processed and sold as a supplemental fuel source to asphalt plants, utilities and companies with large industrial boilers. Also, the oil can be re-refined into lubricating oil stock. Oil doesn't wear out, it just gets dirty. When it has been cleaned, with additives replenished, the re-refined lubricating products are comparable to virgin oil products.

When depositing used oil/antifreeze, pour carefully and leave empty containers in the trash barrels. The plastic motor oil bottles are not recyclable because the oil residue is considered a contaminant. If residents see anyone dumping oil into a Greenbelt storm drain—call Public Works immediately at 474-8004. Recycling oil in Greenbelt is easy, convenient and environmentally responsi-

MD Recycling Directory

Letters to the Editor

Thanks

My family and I would like to thank the young man who called the Rescue Squad in the wee hours of Thursday morning, December 7 for Richard Hensel of Parkway, who was in the throes of a heart attack. I am thoroughly convinced that if it were not for Dick's neighbor, he would not be with us today. Again, many thanks.

Irene Hensel

Learn About Birds

"Birding for Beginners," a program at the Patuxent Research Refuge, will be held on Sunday, January 14, 9 a.m. - noon. Participants will learn where to find birds, how to identify them, what equipment and books are helpful, and will take a guided walk. The program is designed for ages 16 and older. They are asked to bring field guides and binoculars if available. Advance registration required. Call 410-674-3304.

Save Energy, Save Money

Maryland residential customers who buy new refrigerators that use at least 15% less energy than the federal standard will receive a \$45 cash rebate from PEPCO. A new, energy-efficient refrigerator uses almost half the electricity of an older refrigerator and costs about \$50 less per year to operate.

PEPCO residential customers in Maryland can also receive a cash rebate by replacing an old air conditioner or heat pump with a high-efficiency model. Although the utility lowered the rebate levels Oct. 1, customers who up-grade their air conditioning system can save the rebate at the time of purchase and as much as 50% per year in lower cooling and heating costs

More affordable, high-efficiency equipment helps contain the growth of electricity use. Customer conservation helps delay the need for new power plants and preserves natural resources, while keeping electricity rates low.

For information on how to apply for rebates for high-efficiency air conditioners, heat pumps or refrigerators, call PEPCO's Residential Energy Services Department at (202) 872-2465.

Greenbelt Arts Center

JANUARY

Children's Drama Classes

Saturday, January 6 Registration and First Class

Classes will be held for 12 consecutive Saturdays, with the final class being a performance for friends and family.

Age Time Fee 6 - 8 1:30 - 2:15 \$50 class being a performance for friends and family.

12, 13, 19, 20 at 8 PM 21 at 2 PM Play. Baby with the Bathwater by C. Durang. A darkly comic farce about a child's growth to adulthood. Hilariously funny. \$8/\$6

For information, call the Greenbelt Arts Center: 441-8770

Thanks

I would like to thank all my friends and members of my family both for your presence at Mike's funeral service and for your gracious support during these last two weeks. I could not have done as well without your thoughts and prayers. God bless you all.

Sarah Nickel Ellis

Correction

The article in the December 28 issue about the December 11 regular Greenbelt City Council meeting incorrectly stated that the newly elected Greenbelt Fire Department and Rescue Squad president is Gene Davis. Gene Davis is the newly elected Fire Chief of the department. Jay Remenick is and continues to serve as the president.

CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION POINTS City of Greenbelt Public Works Department

Your discarded Christmas tree can be recycled. The Public Works
Department will pick up trees at the locations listed below and process them
through the wood chipper. The chips will be used as mulch around trees and
flower beds. Please bring trees to any of the following areas beginning
January 2, 1996 ending February 5, 1996.

GHI 73 court Ridge Road — Playground opposite
Plateau Place & Ridge Road — Corner on playground side
Research Road & Hillside Road — Corner
Eastway Road & Crescent Road — Corner
21 Court Ridge Road — Across from Green Ridge House
Crescent Road & Ridge Road — Playground at junction

Parkway Road — Corner across from Community Church
Corner across from 58 court Crescent Road
7 court Southway Road — Playground at Little League Field

11 court & 13 court Ridge Road — Park area between courts

BOXWOOD Ivy and Lastner Lane — Playground

LAKEWOOD Greenhill Road and Crescent Road (by Baptist Church)

CHARLESTOWNE VILLAGE & CHARLESTOWNE NORTH Adjacent to Attick Park UNIVERSITY SQUARE Front of swimming pool LAKESIDE NORTH Near swimming pool

SPRINGHILL LAKE Community Building
GREENBRIAR Between buildings 7708 & 7710 Hanover Parkway
Between buildings 7728 & 7730 Hanover Parkway
Between buildings 7826 & 7828 Hanover Parkway
Between buildings 8003 & 8009 Mandan Road

GLEN OAKS Between buildings 7903 & 7905 Mandan Road
Between buildings 7509 & 7511 Mandan Road
HUNTING RIDGE Between buildings 6936 & 6978 Hanover Parkway
WINDSOR GREEN Court entrances (Picked up by Windsor Green Staff)

GREENBROOK VILLAGE & ESTATES

Southeast corner of Ora Glen Drive and Mathew Drive
Southeast corner of Hanover Parkway and Greenbrook

In front of barricade at Mandan Road & Mathew Street GREENWOOD VILLAGE Opposite 8175 Mandan Terrace

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Opposite 7646 Mandan Road
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GREENSPRING Southwest corner of Megan Lane and Craddock Road
Park area between 7926 & 8006 Greenbury Drive

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Community Events

Fun At Goddard

For a real "Blast" that the whole family can participate in, come to the Goddard Space Flight Center Visitor Center on January 7 and 21. The model rocket launch countdown begins at 1 p.m. Bring a rocket or just come out and enjoy watching the other rocket enthusiasts. All launches are monitored for safety and are held weather permitting.

The Goddard Space Flight Visitor Center will be showing the video "Go For EVA" on Saturday, Jan. 13, at 1 p.m. During the 14 minute video, the shuttle astronauts discuss the reasons for wearing spacesuits during spacewalk missions, how spacesuits work, and what kind of jobs astronauts perform while spacewalking. The video is suitable for all ages.

Later Saturday evening, a program called "Goddard at Night" will allow everyone to enjoy the Visitor Center during the evening hours, participate in special activities, and glimpse the beauty of the night sky. This program is a special Saturday evening program and will be offered once a month. Join the fun from 7 to 9 p.m. People can bring their own telescope or use the Visitor Center's telescope.

Both programs are free and will be held at the Visitor Center located on Soil Conservation Rd. Interpreters will be provided for the hearing impaired with seven days notice through 286-8103 (TTY). For more information, call 286-8981.

Explore Investing

Make 1996 a profitable year by learning how to invest wisely. On Friday, January 12, "Explorations Unlimited" will be welcoming Kathy Coupe from Nations Securities. Coupe will be discussing prudent investing in the '90's. She will be addressing the different types of investments and investment strategies, including how investments work, and how to use them.

"Explorations Unlimited" is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Community Center, Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. For more information call 397-2208.

City Notes

For the week ending Dec 29: Walkways were inspected for hazards. Bradford Pear trees in Windsor Green having weak limbs were bolted and braced. Trees on Ridge Road and Crescent Road were pruned. Leaves were collected in all areas. Six police cars were serviced. Snow removal trucks were readied. Three public works trucks repaired. Interior furnishings transported and placed in Community Center. Markers were placed at designated locations for collection of discarded natural Christmas trees. "No Skating" signs were posted at Buddy Attick Park lake and drainage pond on Hanover Parkway. Recycling coordinator prepared office recycling program for new firm.

GHI Notes

The AdHoc Committee on the Historic District meets January 9 at 7:30 p.m. in the lunch room.

The Member & Community Relations Committee meets January 9 at 7:30 in the board room.

The Board of Directors meets January 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the board room.

Toastmasters Meet

Spring Speakers Toastmasters meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m. at the Greenbelt Library, 11 Crescent Road. For further information contact Mike McKnew at 772-0296.

Greenbriar Schedules Health & Beauty Night

Gwen Vaccaro, owner of the salon Pleasant Touch located at 143 Centerway will be the host for the Health and Workshop Greenbriar scheduled for Tuesday, January 16, 7-9 p.m. She is an R. N., a esthethician, and nationally certified massage therapist. Vaccaro will demonstrate the art of giving facials and share salon secrets that people can use at home. People are asked to brgin the skincare products they currently use.

One lucky person will receive the benefit of the facial demonstration during this workshop. There will be door prizes, and free product samples will be distributed to all attendees. As a service to the community, the public is cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. There is no admission charge, but please register by calling Greenbriar at 301/441-1096 or Pleasant Touch at 345-1849.

At the Library

Wednesday, January 10 7 p.m. P.J. Story time Ages 4-6

Thursday, January 11 10:15 a.m. Drop-In Storytime

Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

As previously reported, the Golden Age Club meeting on January 10 will be a festive affair as there will be a celebration of the December and January birthdays. Also the new officers for 1996 will be installed. They are as follows: President, Bud Hinson; First Vice-President, Ellie Rimar; Second Vice-President, Mary Gardner; Recording Secretary, Rachel Algaze; Corresponding Secretary, Pearl Siegel; and Treasurer, Margaret Graham.

A heartfelt "thank you" goes to Mary Gardner and the other officers who served in 1995. A special "thanks" to Rachel Algaze for remaining as Recording Secretary. Hopefully 1996 will be as productive as 1995.

Anyone who wishes can bring in "finger foods" for refreshments, but check the weather ahead of time! There will also be a basket for the Club's charitable collection.

Writers Meet

The Greenbelt Writers' Group will host its next open reading on Saturday, January 13, in the meeting room of the Greenbelt Police Station. Sign-up for the reading will begin at 7:15 p.m., and the reading will being at 7:30 p.m. Poetry, fiction, personal essays, nature writing, humor, and other creative genres are welcome. Readers of poetry will be limited to five minutes; readers of prose will be limited to ten minutes.

The reading will be followed by refreshments and conversation. The reading is open to the public; anyone is welcome to read or listen. For more information, call Marsha at 982-0365 or Robert at 474-6980.

The Mayor and City Council Invite You to the Greenbelt Community Center

Community Center
Open House

January 13, 1996

12:30 p.m.—Dedication and Ribbon Cutting

Greenbelt Community Center
15 Crescent Road



While in the building be sure to visit the Greenbelt Museum's Domestic Technology Exhibit on the second floor.

T'ai Chi Practice

All are invited to a free community T'ai Chi practice session on Saturday, January 6, 9 - 10 a.m., at the Greenbelt Community Center. This practice will introduce T'ai Chi to those interested in learning more about the art, as well as a review for current students. The focus will be on very simple, slow, graceful, natural movements that anyone can easily do. These movements are the basic building blocks of T'ai Chi, the classic Chinese exercise for relaxation, health, self defense and spiritual growth.

Regular practices of the Cheng Man-Ch'ing 37 posture Yang style T'ai Chi short form are sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department. Registration for these regular practices began January 2. Classes begin next week. Those who plan to register should try to attend the Saturday session. Only one session of classes will be held this year during the winter and spring months. The next available opportunity for beginners will occur in the summer or next fall. For further registration information, contact the Recreation Department at 397-

NARFE To Meet

The National Association of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) will hold its monthly meeting Wednesday January 10, at noon at the Greenbelt Library.

The speaker will be Sally Hurme from AARP. Subject: Consumer Fraud & Schemes.

All members and prospective members are invited to attend.

Poetry Plus to Meet

On Saturday, January 6, Poetry Plus will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Greenbelt Library. The poetry discussion series is led by Karen Arnold, Poet-In-Residence at Montpelier Cultural Arts Center.

FOGL Meets Jan. 10

Friends of the Greenbelt Library (F.O.G.L.) holds its next meeting Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 7:30 p.m. on the library's lower level.

Open to anyone in the community, the first gathering of FOGL in 1996 will include discussions of funding additional projects at the library. Plans for moving ahead to start a countywide Friends group will be outlined.

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL GREENBELT MUNICIPAL BUILDING NBETT JANUARY 8, 1996 - 8:00 P.M.

I. ORGANIZATION

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Meditation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 4. Consent Agenda Approval of Staff Recommendations (The consent agenda consists of those items which have asterisks (*) placed beside them, subject to such revisions as may be made by the Council prior to approval)
- 5. Approval of Agenda and Additions

II. COMMUNICATIONS

- 6. Presentations
- 7. Petitions and Requests
- (Petitions received at the meeting will not be acted upon by the City Council at this meeting unless the standing rules are waived by the Council
- 8. Minutes of Meetings
- 9. Administrative Reports
- *10. Committee Reports

III. LEGISLATION

11. An Ordinance to amend Chapter 4, "Building and Building Regulations", Chapter 11, "Motor Vehicles and Traffic", Chapter 14, "Planning and Development", and Chapter 18, "Streets and Sidewalks" of the Greenbelt City Code for the purpose of allowing the City to update and revise certain provisions of the Code

IV.OTHER BUSINESS

- 12. Proposed ACE Educators Award
- 13. Report on Police Services Discussions with New Carrollton and College Park
- 14. Approval of Community Center Dedication Program
- 15. Make-up Policy at Greenbelt Aquatic and Fitness Center
- *16. Memorandum of Understanding for CNG-Powered Heavy Trucks
- *17. Recycling Committee attendance at the Maryland Recyclers Coalition Annual Meeting
- *18. Reappointments to Advisory Boards and Committees
- *19. Appointments to Advisory Boards and Committees
- V. MEETINGS

NOTE: This is a preliminary agenda, subject to change.

Regular Council meetings are open to the public and all interested citizens are invited to attend. For information, please call 474-3870. If special accommodations are required to make this meeting accessible to any disabled person, please call 474-8000 or 474-1811 (TTY) to request such accommodation before 10:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

David E. Moran, City Clerk

Joseph C. Mousley

Joseph C. Mousley, 79, of 6 Court Hillside Rd. died on December 21 at Prince George's Hospital after a fall which was apparently the result of an aneurysm. The Mousleys had lived in Greenbelt for 53 years, living at several homes including 3 Court Ridge and 19 Court Ridge Rd.

During World War II, Mr. Mousley served in the Navy and was stationed at Bainbridge. He worked for 31 years for the U.S. Tariff Commission, retiring in

In Greenbelt Mr. Mousley was well known for his work doing income tax returns. He was a member of the Greenbelt Golden Age Club and the Greenbelt American Legion Post 136.

A funeral service was held in New Jersey on December 26.

Survivors are his wife of 58 years, Norma of the home address, daughters Norma Young, Annapolis and Terry Mousley, Greenbelt, two grandsons and one great-granddaughter.

PGCC Offers Small Business Courses

Prince George's Community College has listed among its January course offerings "Techniques for Travel", Ref. No. 3187. There are two sessions scheduled: Mondays, Jan. 8 and 22, at 7 - 10 p.m. The course is taught by Beverly Finnegan from Greenbelt Travel Services and there is a fee.

"Recordkeeping for Small Business", Ref. No. 3184, is scheduled on Saturday, Jan. 20, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., and will be taught by Theresa Downs. This course will be held at the Largo Campus and there is a fee.

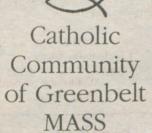
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-Baha'i Sacred Writings Greenbelt Baha'i Community P.O. Box 245 Greenbelt, MD 20770

Michael Ellis

Michael Wayne Ellis, 31, died on Tuesday morning, December 19 at his home on Research Road.

Before his marriage five years ago, Mike was a hunting guide on the Eastern Shore. He then owned and operated Rainbow Painting Co.

Mike is survived by his wife Sarah Nickel Ellis; daughter, Katie; sister, Tina Jones; father, Richard Ellis; mother, Phyllis Hurley; stepfather, Jerry Hurley and brothers Martin and Glenn

Burial was at Greenbelt Cem-

Parenting Mentors Volunteers Sought

The Parents Anonymous of Maryland PANDA (Parent Aides Nurturing and Discovering With Adolescents) Program is searching for nurturing and non-judgmental men and women who are willing to volunteer four hours weekly providing one-on-one support to teen parents.

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Anyone who would like to become a Parents Anonymous PANDA Mentor is asked to call 808-5681.

In Memoriam

Mike Ellis died suddenly the week of December 18, 1995. He was a great guy and well liked by everyone. His memory will live in the hearts of all his friends in Greenbelt forever.

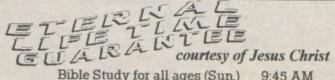
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Mormon Beliefs To Be Discussed

The next class in the series on learning about other religions will be held at Mishkan Torah Synagogue on Tuesday, January 9 at 8 p.m. Elder Christiansen, Director of the Mormon Temple Visitor Center, will discuss the Mormon Denomination, their major beliefs, how they view their community and finally what their personal views are of unity and world peace. There will be time for questions and dis-

The class scheduled for Dec. 19 with the Rev. Dan Hamlin of the Community Church was canceled due to inclement weather and will be rescheduled.

Members of all Greenbelt congregations are invited to attend the series. The idea is to clear up misconceptions, broaden understanding and to meet neighbors. Registration is requested, but not required. There is a small fee to cover the cost of refreshments. Mishkan Torah is located at the corner of Ridge Road and Westway. For information, call 474-4233.



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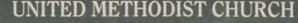
Our sympathy to Sarah Ellis and family on the death of her husband, Mike Ellis.

Condolences to Norma Mousley and family on the recent death of her husband, Joseph.

Eugene and Julia Stratchko of Greenhill Road became grandparents on December 28 when their ninth grandchild was born at Prince George's Hospital. Gina Marie's parents are Gary and Karen Stratchko of Bowie. She joins her brother Nicholas. Proud maternal grandparents are Tony and Mary Sceacca of Bowie.

Congratulations to Sheila Maffay Tuthill on being featured in the Frederick MD "Magazine". The "Magazine" honors people under age 40 for their contributions to the community. Sheila is director of special events at the Childrens Museum at Rose Hill Manor in Frederick, and was honored for her innovative programs for children.

Sorry to hear that Ethel and Ben Rosenzweig have had falls. Ethel is recovering at Holy Cross Hospital after falling in her kitchen and breaking her pelvis, arm and several ribs. Ben fell on the ice and is recuperating at home.





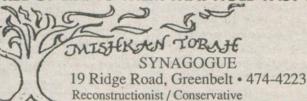
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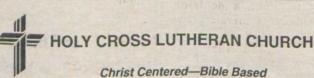


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CITY COUNCIL

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vide) wheeled trash cans," he said. "You can't just require people to do everything in the world and make them foot the

Putens agreed, saying, "What I'm talking is how you implement (the code). . . . It is easier for people to take trash bags out one at a time to the curb than to take six bags in a trash can that they can't carry."

There was much confusion amongst both councilmembers and staff members as to what the code actually said and what the city requires. Planning and Community Development Director Celia Wilson said that no Greenbelters are required to take their trash to the curb, adding, "Nobody is going to be cited if they dispose of the garbage in a plastic bag as long as the bag is properly secured."

City Manager Daniel Hobbs was unhappy with the idea of turning a blind eye to offenders, saying, "If the law's on the book, I have to carry it out, and if we're not going to enforce it, I think we should take it off the books." He said that he would prefer that the city require trash containers for health reasons.

Putens said that citizens in his neighborhood had been having to leave their garbage at the curb and asked that staff make clear to citizens that curb pickup is not required. (Greenbrook single family homes were originally serviced by a private collector with curbside collection. Recently the city took over collecting refuse from these homes. The city will collect from the rear or side door.) Hobbs concluded, "What I take from this conversation is that we ought to engage in some sort of low-key education campaign to inform people of what is expected."

Dangerous Trees

Roberts expressed concern several times during the work session that the city was adding provisions which might interfere with citizens' private

One section which concerned him was the provision requiring that dangerous "dead or dying trees" be removed by property owners. He pointed out that in a recent incident at Chesapeake Beach, an old tree was summarily butchered by the city staff against the wishes of its owner. He stated, "Sometimes it's not fair for a government agency to make a decision about someone's private prop-

Wilson noted that the owner can appeal any citation, and said, "If the council is concerned that we're going to be going around willy-nilly taking dead trees down, that's not the case. . . . We act primarily in reaction to complaints."

Roberts believed that staff should not be making the decision on such matters and asked that the city bring in independent experts to decide whether disputed trees are hazardous.

Wilson promised to add language which would allow pruning to abate danger.

Bram told Roberts that the section was meant "to protect the public safety.

Councilmember Thomas X. White concluded the discussion by suggesting with a laugh that "the only trees that would be applicable are the ones where we notify the next

Unregistered Vehicles

Roberts was also concerned by the provision which prohibited citizens from parking vehicles with some form of expired vehicle registration. "This is America and you're supposed to be free and you're supposed to have some sort of property rights," he said. "With this law you could have a brand new Cadillac in your driveway without a license plate and it would be against the law."

Putens agreed, asking staff what it would tell a young man who had bought a new car and was earning money to pay the car's taxes before buying a license.

Staff member Mike Jeffreys replied, "I would tell him to cover the car."

Roberts rejoined, "So what, you have to go out and spend a hundred dollars on a car cover in order to keep an unlicensed car in your own driveway? We're carrying this too far."

Reason for Changes

Councilmembers asked for clarification of the provision requiring that motor vehicles (including boats) "be prohibited on any unpaved area in any yard of any residential lot." Staff agreed to change the code to read "paved/unprepared surface," in order to make clear that chip and gravel can be used.

Among the other code amendments discussed was a provision requiring that owners keep exterior surfaces of their building in a sanitary condition and a section allowing the city to regulate pickup of special trash.

Jeffreys said that the amendments helped to make his work easier. "I don't like being a can't-do person, I like being a can-do person and these are tools which will allow me to be more efficient at my job."

Wilson concluded the meeting by saying, "We've talked about a lot of things in the abstract tonight, but if you had a chance to ride along with the inspectors, you'd find some very, very interesting things happening in the community.'

School Board Budget Hearing January 16

The Prince George's County Board of Education will hold a budget public hearing on January 16 at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The hearing will start at 7 p.m.

A budget work session will be held on January 23 at 6 p.m. at the Sasscer Administration Building, 14201 School Lane in Upper Marlboro. If needed, a second budget work session will be held at 6 p.m. on January 30 at the Sasscer Administration Building.

For more information, call 952-6115.

Find a Pot of Gold

Maryland State Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein says 12,950 state fairgoers stopped by the unclaimed property booth, and 966 of those visitors found leads on \$394,164 in unclaimed money and valuables.

The Comptroller's Office has records on more than 215,000 accounts worth more than \$62 million. Outreach efforts such as visits to malls, fairs and festivals across the state, as well as bi-annual newspaper advertisements listing the latest unclaimed property accounts, help locate the owners of unclaimed funds. The Comptroller's Office also cross references unclaimed property accounts with the Internal Revenue Service and other government agencies, to locate out-of-state owners of unclaimed funds.

By law, financial institutions, insurance companies, utilities, and other corporations must report to the state any bank accounts, security deposits, wages, insurance benefits, and the contents of safe deposit boxes which are unclaimed after five years. Maryland's law is custodial and therefore the monies turned over to the state as unclaimed remain the property of the original owner or the legitimate heir of the original owner.

People with questions about claim forms received at the Maryland State Fair or those wishing to make an inquiry, may contact the Unclaimed Property Section of the Maryland State Comptroller's Office by calling (410) 225-1700 in the Baltimore area, or 1-800-782-7383 outside of the Baltimore area.

Hospital Sponsors Support Group

Washington Adventist Hospital in Takoma Park, sponsors an "Eating Disorders Support Group." This support group is designed for individuals with eating disorders and their families and friends. The group meets on the first four Saturdays of each month, 9:30 -11:30 a.m. For more information call 1-800-542-5096.

Car Batteries Can Cause Eye Injuries

Wintertime, the season for dead batteries, means that more motorists will be using jumper cables

Dr. Arnold B. Simonse, executive director of the Prevention of Blindness Society, warns that thousands of eye injuries are caused each year by battery fragments and corrosive acid that spray in all directions when a battery explodes. "Any battery is potentially dangerous if not treated with extreme caution when being jumped," he said.

Explosions causing eye injuries are traceable to five common errors: 1) the use of a match or cigarette lighter for illumination, 2) incorrect connection of jumper cables, 3) sparks from the careless use of tools around the battery, 4) smoking while working in the battery area and 5) incorrect connection of a battery charger."

For more information and a free sticker on How to Jump Start Your Car Battery safely, call the Prevention of Blindness Society at (202) 234-1010. This bright yellow vinyl sticker clearly outlines safe-jumping instructions.

Volunteers Needed To Help Taxpayers

Volunteers are needed to help low-income, elderly and handicapped taxpayers prepare their federal income tax return. They will be trained by the Internal Revenue Service to prepare basic federal tax returns as part of a national program called the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program.

VITA volunteers provide free assistance to taxpayers who are unable to pay a tax professional to have their returns prepared.

In addition, the IRS offers free tax assistance to older taxpayers through a volunteer program called Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE).

Individuals who are interested in working as VITA or TCE volunteers should call the IRS Taxpayer Education Office at 1-800-829-1040.

New IRS Policy On Advance Payment

Some employees can increase their monthly paychecks by as much as \$105 by simply filling out a onepage form.

Taxpayers who claim the earned income tax credit on their federal income tax return may want to consider asking for the credit to be issued in their paychecks instead. That's done by completing a Form W-5, "Earned Income Credit Advance Payment Certificate" with their employer.

For many working parents receiving the advance payments in each paycheck can make a difference in paying rent, buying groceries and meeting other day-to-day needs. However, taxpayers who get the advance EITC in their paychecks must file a tax return at the end of the year to report the amount advanced.

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Jim Allen, program director WRC Radio, talks about his career to Greenbelt Elementary School students. - photo by Letty Bryce

Elementary Students Learn about Careers

by Barbara Likowski

Friday, December 8 was Career Focus Day at Greenbelt Elementary School. Students in grades three through six had an opportunity to learn first-hand about different careers they might be interested in. Many of the speakers who shared with the students were parents or other relatives of students and staff.

Paul Sturgill, husband of sixth grade teacher Donna Sturgill explained about his experiences in the catering and restaurant business while Abigail Moody, niece of Counselor Letty Bryce told about her duties as program director, Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service.

Erin Kendrick's dad, Jim, who is a biological photographer at GW Medical School and Kristina Cure's dad, LeRoy, radiation specialist, Washington Hospital Center gave an update on medical careers. Other parent speakers were Jim Allen, program director,

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WRC radio, Jim Curley, tax specialist and grandmother Elvina DeWitt, transportation department, county public schools.

Other speakers were Coralee Wende, a micro-biologist laboratory director and Earl Todd, building supervisor of Greenbelt Elementary School.

The main purpose of the career day was to broaden horizons and help the kids see how skills, both academic and social/personal, learned today are a crucial part of the world of work. The speakers had twenty-five minute time slots, including time for questions.

The News Review Is Moving!

On Friday, January 12, the News Review will move to the Community Center. Staff members willing to help on Thursday or Friday, January 11 or 12 or at the open house on Saturday January 12 should call Mary Halford on 474-3917.

After School Pupils **Became Consumers**

by Barbara Likowski

Students in the Greenbelt Elementary School After School program became consumers for a day on November 22. They tasted and tested various products and decided what products they preferred and why. Many different kinds of goods were tested including peanut butter, popcorn, sodas, apples and jelly

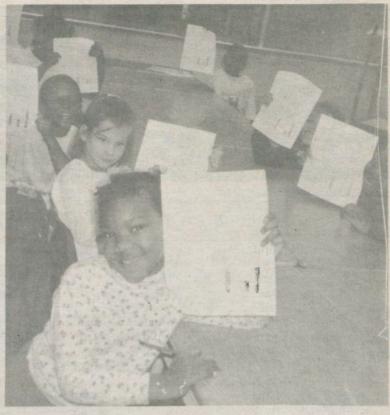
This was all part of their math fun day, when children proved that learning can be fun. First each child made a hypothesis about which company's product tasted best. Some classes made two or more hypotheses, depending on what that class was testing. Then, after the tasting and testing was over they compared their results with their hypotheses.

Each class made one or more graphs showing the results of their testing. Then some classes wrote a letter to the company whose product they had judged best. Each class member signed the letter.

WSSC Hearing

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 17, on proposed changes to the WSSC's plumbing and gasfitting regulations. These changes would include technical additions to the code by formally codifying the list of fixtures and assigned fixture unit values used for plumbing permits and related

The hearing will take place at 3 p.m. in the Commission Hearing Room, 14501 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel. For more information on the proposed changes, call the WSSC's Regulatory Compliance Division at 206-8553.



Second graders in Mrs. Likowski's class proudy show off the graphs they made to show which of four jelly beans they preferred.



Students in Miss Susie's kindergarten/first grade class tasted different kinds of apples on Greenbelt Elementary School's Math

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National Convention Will Square Dance in Maryland

The Washington DC Area Square Dancers Cooperative Association, with square dance clubs in Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, Delaware and the Delmarva Peninsula, will hold the National Square Dance Convention in the new Baltimore Convention Center on June 21, 22, 23, & 24, 2000. Over 25,000 square dancers from all over the world are expected to attend.

A bid was presented at the National Square Dance Convention in Birmingham on June 23. The other bidding cities were Atlanta and Detroit. The local bid was presented by Dick and Linda Peterson, general chairmen, Mayor Kurt L. Schmoke, mayor of the city of Baltimore, and Kitty Ratcliffe of the Baltimore Area Convention and Visitors Association. Mayor Schmoke played a major role in helping to win the bid. Schmoke stated, "It was a real honor for me to participate in the bid process that resulted in the National Square Dance Association selecting Baltimore for its annual convention in the year 2000. They brought a great deal of excitement and revenue to the City when they were here in 1984, and the Convention in the year 2000 will be even bigger and better."

At least a year of preliminary preparation was made by

WASCA (Washington Area Square Dancers Cooperative Association) and helped by five surrounding state Square and Round Dance (ballroom dance) Associations and with cooperation and help from MDSDF (Mason Dixon Square Dance Federation) of Baltimore accomplished this.

The general chairmen, Dick Peterson of Linda Greenbelt, were also the state chairmen for the State Folk Dance Bill that was sponsored by State Senator Leo Green. The State Folk Dance bill was signed into law on May 26, 1994 by Governor William Donald Schaefer, naming square dancing as the Maryland State folk dance. With the help of Senator Green, Senator Mike Miller, president of the Maryland State Senate, and Representative Howard Rawlings, chairman of the Appropriations Committee, the bill passed.

The National Square Dance Convention will bring in excess of \$18 million in revenue to the State of Maryland in the year 2000. Several additional millions will be spent in services to produce this event. Dick and Linda also spoke with Governor Paris Glendening at the Greenbelt Labor Day Festival and he has given the support of the Governor's office for this



Square dancers Linda and Dick Peterson of Greenbelt spear headed effort to bring their national convention to Maryland in

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Each new academic semester thousands of international students arrive in Washington to study at local universities. These undergraduate and graduate students need a place to live.

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Council so as to list available accommodations in its Housing Information Center. This is a unique opportunity to help an international student and participate in a worthwhile cultural exchange. Housing in Northwest Washington and nearby suburbs is particularly needed.

Please call the Foreign Student Service Council at (202) 232-4979 for additional infor-

Be a Torchbearer For the Olympics

United Way of the National Capital Area (UWNCA) will help carry the Olympic spirit to Atlanta by participating in the Olympic Torch Relay. Chosen by the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games (ACOG), United Ways across the nation will help select 5,500 Community Heroes people whose service to others and meaningful contributions to their community shed light into the lives of many Americans - to be the torchbearers who carry the Olympic flame to Atlanta.

During June of 1996, the torch will be carried through Washington, DC as part of its 84-day, 15,000 mile journey across 42 states. More than half of the torchbearers -Community Heroes - will be selected on the merits of their service to others through a selection process facilitated by local United Ways.

Community Hero applicants must fill out an official entry form, which includes an essay of up to 100 words on why the nominee possesses the qualities of a Community Hero. Applicants may nominate themselves or someone else (only one entry per nomination will be judged.) Forms are available by calling the UWNCA Torch Bearer Hotline 202-488-2068, or by calling 1-800-4-96-COKE.

Community Hero Torchbearers will be announced during February 1996. Those selected will be notified by mail and assigned to carry the flame along the relay route.

The Community Hero application process started November 1. All applications must be addressed to the 1996 Olympic Torch Relay Torchbearer Selection, P.O. Box 6621, Maple Plain, MN 55593-6621 (Not to the United Way) and be postmarked no later than November 30, and received by December 8. Entries become the sole property of ACOG, Inc.

Homeless Shelter Seeks Donations

The Family Emergency Shelter (FES) provides shelter in a home-like atmosphere for homeless persons for 90 days, along with a set of support services that assist families in obtaining permanent housing and self-sufficiency. The shelter is located in the Adelphi-Langley Park area of Prince Georges County. Below is a list of needs at FES.

FES Wish List

Needed are: kitchen utensils such as pots, pans, forks and knives, spoons, etc.; canned goods or certificates for purchase of perishable items; storage space; Pampers (all sizes); bus tokens; children's games such as bingo, checkers, cards, etc; children's school supplies; personal hygiene items such as toothpaste, soap, toothbrushes, sanitary napkins, shampoo, etc.; cleaning supplies such as mops, brooms, dust pans, etc.

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A program designed to give youth insight into the realities of incarceration and to illustrate how to avoid behaviors that lead to problems with the law is available to public and private schools in Prince Georges County.

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The program is a signed to enhance self-esteem, help young people overcome the hurdles of

peer pressure, and focus on family values. "The idea is to instill pride and confidence in kids," said McClanahan. Youth learn the consequences of association with the wrong crowd, taking drugs, or committing crimes.

'We try to make them feel that it's by doing the right things that you're really cool," said Bunn. "We also try to ensure they understand they're responsible for their actions, that following the crowd is no excuse for unacceptable behavior," George added.

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Further, this program will involve a poster contest for youngsters in the elementary schools; forming networks and partnerships among the nonprofit organizations;

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An officer patrolling in the 6100 block of Breezewood Ct. in the early hours of Tuesday, Dec. 26, stopped a vehicle for a registration violation. A computer check revealed the driver's license had been suspended. During a search of the vehicle, a Taurus 9mm handgun was found under the front passenger seat. The driver, a 22year-old nonresident man, was arrested, charged with driving with a suspended license, and released on citation pending trial. The passenger, a 19-yearold nonresident man was arrested, charged with transporting a handgun in a vehicle, and held on \$2,500 bond pending

A disorderly person was reported inside Beltway Plaza on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 24. The responding officer saw a man shouting profanities at shoppers. The man was instructed to leave the mall, but refused to do so. A 36-year-old nonresident was arrested, charged with disorderly intoxication, and released on citation pending trial.

Thefts

On Monday evening, Dec. 25, officers responded to a report of three suspicious people leaving the Stepclub, 155 Centerway. The three people had entered the club, broken into a storage bin, and removed property. As an officer approached someone matching the description of one of the suspects, the man attempted to get away, but was apprehended in the area of Crescent Rd. and Northway. The suspect, a 14year-old resident youth, was positively identified by a wit-- ness. The youth was arrested, charged with burglary, and transported to Boy's Village, in Cheltenham, pending trial.

A 20-year-old nonresident man was arrested as a result of a traffic stop on Wednesday morning, Dec. 27. The officer stopped the vehicle for a registration violation in the area of Greenbelt Rd. and Kenilworth Ave. A computer check revealed the temporary registration plate had been reported stolen to Prince George's Police and the driver had two open arrest warrants with the Prince George's Sheriff's Department.

The driver was charged with theft and released on citation into the custody of the Sheriff's Department for service of the warrant.

A video cassette recorder was recovered in the playground area of St. Hugh's School on Tuesday, Dec. 26. The VCR was taken during a burglary of a residence in the 50 block of Lakeside Dr. on Dec. 21

Other thefts reported include: computer chips from an office in the 6400 block of Ivy Lane on Friday, Dec. 22; blank checks, cash and a laser printer from another office in the 6400 block of Ivy Lane on Friday, Dec. 22; and a jacket and jewelry from a hotel room in the 6400 block of Ivy Lane on Tuesday, Dec. 26.

A man, who had just started his car in the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane, and walked a short distance away, noticed his car being driven away by an unknown person on Sunday evening, Dec. 24. The vehicle, a 1990 Honda CRX, was recovered the next day on the University of Maryland campus by UM Police. One arrest was made in the recovery, though no additional information is

A 1986 Pontiac Parisienne, reported stolen on Dec. 12 from the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane, was recovered on Friday, Dec. 22. The vehicle was recovered by Metropolitan Police in the 4600 block of Minnesota Ave. S. E. No arrests were

A 1985 Pontiac Parisienne, reported stolen from the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on Dec. 20, was recovered in the 1400 block of Doewood Lane, Fairmount Heights. No arrests

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were made in connection with the recovery which took place on Sunday, Dec. 24.

A 1985 Cadillac Fleetwood was recovered by Prince George's Police in the 3000 block of Hospital Dr., Cheverly, on Tuesday, Dec. 26. The vehicle had been reported stolen from the 9100 block of Springhill Lane on Dec. 20. Three arrests were made, though no additional information is available.

A 1990 Toyota Camry, reported stolen on Dec. 23 from the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane, was recovered on Wednesday, Dec. 27, in the 9300 block of Edmonston Rd. No arrests were made.

Other vehicle thefts reported include: a burgundy 1990 Toyota Camry four-door, MD tags BKB577, from the 5800 block of Cherrywood Lane on Saturday, Dec. 23; a blue 1985 Honda Accord fourdoor, MD tags CEL354, from the 6200 block of Breezewood Dr. on Sunday, Dec. 24; a red 1993 Toyota truck, MD tags 16B911, from the 6000 block of Greenbelt Rd. on Tuesday, Dec. 26; a white 1995 Honda Accord LX twodoor, MD tags CTR471, from the 7900 block of Mandan Rd. on Wednesday, Dec. 27; and a red 1995 Nissan Altima four-door, MD tags CHF517, from the 8100 block of Lakecrest Dr. on Thursday,

Vandalism to, thefts from, and attempted theft of vehicle were reported in the following 6200 block of Breezewood Dr., 9000 block of Breezewood Terr., 8200 block of Canning Terr., 5900 block of Cherrywood Terr., 6300 block of Golden Triangle Dr., 6300 block of Greenbelt Rd., 6400 block of Ivy Lane, the area of Ora Glen and Greenbrook Dr., 6200 block of Springhill Ct., and the 6100 block of Springhill Terr.

Patuxent WPS Meet

Patuxent Widowed Persons Service (WPS) will offer a free six-week support group on Thursdays, beginning January 18 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. in Riverdale. The group is open to men and women widowed less than 18 months. Discussions will focus on issues newly-widowed people face in making transitions and adjustments. The group also provides a network of friends and peer support. To register call (301) 464-6848.

New Deal Cafe Opens

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serves as the Cafe's treasurer. "People came and had a good time. There was a neighborly atmosphere. The was one complaint. And it would be nice to have smaller tables. But most people seemed happy with the food."

The Cafe members' planning worked out well, according to Barnes. There was little waste, yet the kitchen did not run out of food. He said, however, "We discovered that we need more volunteers in the kitchen. We'd planned for three. Four showed up on Friday, and we could have used five. Saturday we didn't have enough food servers, so I got behind the counter, too." Volunteers 16 and older are sought to help with all aspects of the Cafe.

Critique

I had a good time at the cafe and I intend to go back. It'll be a great place to drop in for dessert and coffee after a Friday or Saturday night movie, as the place will be open until midnight.

The existence of the cafe has the potential to pull together a certain kind of community feeling in the town. I saw friends and neighbors, met a few of the local artists, bumped into new acquaintances from Greenbelt Writer's Group, and chatted with some people I hadn't met before. The atmosphere was warm and friendly.

The cafe shares the space used by the senior center during the week, and compromises have been inevitable. The tables are too big and have an institutional feeling-a scattering of smaller tables would offer more intimacy. Perhaps a few can be added. Surely seniors aren't oblivious to

As noted above, the light from the fluorescent fixtures in the ceiling is too bright. Could the lights be run on a dimmer? Or could lamps or candles be used instead? And the bare white walls need interesting art to give the space some character.

These aren't nit-picking objections. Atmosphere will play an important part in the

the Board of Directors and success or failure of the cafe—especially if one hopes to attract the people who will be patronizing the new Cultural Arts Center. At lights were too bright—that present there is a certain suggestion that the planners of the dining space would be more comfortable laying out volleyball courts. However, I understand an "ambiance committee" is hard at work, and no doubt improvements will be made in time.

On the whole, though, the cafe is off to a promising start, and the volunteers who have organized it deserve a round of applause. Now it's up to the rest of us to get in the habit of patronizing the place and-some of us, anyway-joining the cafe cooperative and lending a hand.

Steamroller Art

Steamroller-created art prints will be exhibited in Marlboro Gallery, Prince George's Community College, starting January 8.

The prints are the result of the Steamroller Project conducted in June at Pyramid Atlantic, a Riverdale arts center devoted to print and papermaking. The project included 16 county high school students, who made woodcuts or layered works, then transferred those designs onto paper by having a steamroller driven over them.

These prints will be exhibited in Marlboro Gallery January 8 through February 1. An artists' reception will be January 31 from 4 to 6 p.m. in the gallery. At that time a video and discussion of the project will be held.

The steamroller program was sponsored by the Prince George's Arts Council and local businesses. The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission donated the steamroller.

Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Fridays. For more information call 322-0965.

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